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The Office of the General Counsel for Ocean Services National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration U.S. Department of Commerce 1305 East-West Highway Silver Spring, MD 20910

Re: Islander East Pipeline Appeal

Dear Sir/Madame:

I am submitting to you one copy of the 5577 signatures collected on the enclosed petition sheets. The petition drive began in August 2001; these signatures represent those collected through mid-November 2001. The original copies of the petitions are in safekeeping but can certainly be made available for inspection by NOAA, if requested.

We are simply citizens who love our community. We do not have the advantage of the tremendous financial, legal and lobbying resources available to a corporation like Duke Energy and KeySpan Energy, the co-investors of Islander East Pipeline Company. We are looking to you, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to hear our concerns, protect our community, support our CT Department of Environmental Protection and deny this appeal by the Islander East Pipeline Company.

As the spokesperson for the grassroots organization that has developed in response to the Islander East proposal, I would be delighted to answer any questions that may arise around our group's concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

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